

6 while performing any of the steps of the operation, one of the second AMF and the other
7 AMFs is able to complete the operation.--

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please substitute the attached sheet of Figures, including amended Figure 18B, for the corresponding sheet of Figures previously filed.

REMARKS

Claims 1-38 are hereby canceled and new claim 39-65 are hereby added. Therefore, upon entry of this amendment, which is respectfully requested, claims 39-65 will be pending.

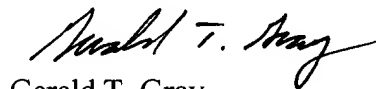
The Drawings were originally filed with two Figures labeled as Fig. 18A. The bottom "Fig. 18A." should be labeled "Fig. 18B." Accordingly, a redlined version of the drawing, including proposed amended Figure 18B is submitted herewith for the Examiner's approval. This amendment adds no new matter.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 925-472-5000.

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